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Senator Deb Cherry Honored For Healthy Habits *Michigan Agencies Promote Disease Prevention*

(LANSING) – The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, American Diabetes Association and Michigan Diabetes Outreach Network recently presented State Senator Deborah Cherry (D-Burton) with the “Healthy Habits” award for her dedication to good health and her active involvement in the prevention of chronic disease.

Sen. Cherry sponsored legislation that requires elementary school students to have at least 30 minutes of physical activity per day or 135 minutes a week during the school year. She also participates in the Michigan Legislative Challenge, a 16-week competition among the three branches of state government that measures, by pedometer, the number of steps each contestant takes.

“I consider it a privilege for these wonderful groups to consider what I do to be a good representation of their causes,” Sen. Cherry said. “Good health and fitness will make Michigan a viable state.”

The three local agencies came together for an advocacy day at the capital to promote the idea of “focusing on prevention.” Michigan Surgeon General, Kimberlydawn Wisdom, former MSU Athletic Director, Dr. Clarence Underwood, and the Deputy Director for Michigan Public Health, Jean Chabut were all in attendance.

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Sen. Deborah Cherry is a first-term Democrat from Burton, Michigan. She serves on the Senate Appropriations Committee, where she sits on the Higher Education, Department of Community Health, Department of Natural Resources and Capital Outlay subcommittees.